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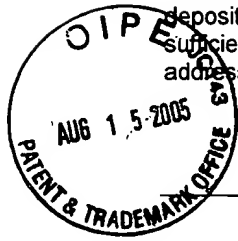
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Our Case No. 9793/116
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hans-Peter Josel et al.

Serial No. 08/776,190

Filing Date: January 24, 1997

For: Oligomeric Carrier Molecules with
Defined Incorporated Marker
Groups and Haptens

Examiner Mark Lance Shibuya

Group Art Unit No. 1639

Response to Action dated 9.16.04

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated September 16, 2004, Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on March 15, 2005. This response is submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination and a three month petition for extension of time. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw the objections and rejections to this

application and to grant allowance of this Application in view of the attached Declaration by Dr. Milan Mrksich and in view of the following remarks.